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AG STRANGE PRESENTS BEAUREGARD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WITH 2014 ATTORNEY GENERAL'S SAFE SCHOOL INITIATIVE AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

(MONTGOMERY) – Attorney General Strange today presented Beauregard Elementary School in Lee County with the 2014 Attorney General's Safe School Initiative Award of Excellence for Alabama State School District 2. One school was selected as the winner from each of the Alabama State School Board of Education districts.

"The Alabama Safe Schools Initiative Awards of Excellence are presented to schools that have performed exceptionally to provide a safe environment for students, with special emphasis on implementation of the Best Practices my office compiled based on last year's recipients," said Attorney General Strange. "I'm pleased that Beauregard Elementary School was selected as one of the eight winning schools in Alabama for 2014. In making this decision, the judges noted many things that distinguished Beauregard Elementary School: its continuous involvement and coordination with local law enforcement, an association that has produced a system-wide safety plan with consistent language throughout the county; as well as implementation of several 'Best Practices' that include a safety plan flip book and providing each classroom with a safety bag of essential safety supplies. I am honored to personally present the safe schools award to Beauregard Elementary School."

"Beauregard Elementary School is very honored to receive the 2014 Alabama Safe School award from Attorney General Strange," said Principal Lisa Harris. "Beauregard is a close-knit community and our teachers and students need to be commended for their combined efforts to make BES a safe and great school to attend. Lee County continues to work closely with our local sheriff's office and school resource officers to instill the best practices in our schools. A special thanks goes to Mrs. Erin Redden (safety chairperson), who took the initiative to write the application and complete the necessary action that got us recognized."

Attorney General Strange is personally presenting the awards for the 2014 Awards of Excellence to the eight winning schools during the month of October. Other winning schools throughout the state include Orange Beach Elementary School in Baldwin County, Northington Elementary School in Tuscaloosa County, Lincoln High School in Talladega County, Meadow View Elementary School in Shelby County, Hayden Elementary School in Blount County, Haleyville High School in Winston County and Oak Park Middle School in Morgan County.

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